

# 2003 COMMISSIONER'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE



## Maintenance Work Zone Safety Training Team

*Workplace Safety*

Salem District

### Team Members

Frank Woollums, Tony Crouch, John Coffey, Keith Turman, Nathan Burnett, Mike Azar, Gary Cumby, Larry Nunley, Raymond Lowe, Roy Bryant, Tim Wade, Danny Cruff, Steve Holland

*Not shown:* Gina Daniel & Darrell Lewis

When VDOT's Maintenance Training Academy developed a course to provide formal work zone safety training to all maintenance employees, each district assembled a training team to accept the challenge of relaying this important safety information to field employees.

In providing this training, the members of Salem District's team definitely distinguished themselves as leaders with genuine commitment to work zone safety. In addition to performing their regular job duties, battling a hectic winter season and responding to accidents, the Salem team trained 700 employees in just six months.

Salem District's team also was extremely effective in delivering key safety messages in a manner that related well to employees. By stressing the vital role that each maintenance worker has in keeping Virginia moving, this team instilled a sense of personal investment in work zone safety in class participants. By the end of the training, maintenance workers better understood their roles, responsibilities and liabilities in setting up work zones—all because this team exemplified VDOT's commitment to safety.

**Nominated by: Ginger Quinn**

